is less. Whereas, for the women beneficiaries forming the Groups of at least 10 members, known as Development of Women & Children in Urban Areas (DWCUA) groups, there is no ceiling on the project cost, except that maximum subsidy is 50% of the project cost or Rs. 1,25,000/-whichever is less.

(c) and (d) Under the Swarna Jayanti Shahari Rozgar Yojana (SJSRY), at the beginning of the financial year, the Central funds are tentatively allocated to the States/UTs in proportion to the incidence of urban poverty in the States/UTs and thereafter these funds are released to the States/UTs in instalments on the basis of receipt Utilisation Certificates for the past central and also the contribution of matching State shares for the past releases. Additional funds, over and above the tentative allocations, are also released to the States/UTs on their request keeping in view the physical and financial progress of the scheme in the States/UTs and also the availability of funds. Under SJSRY, therefore, proposals are not received from the States/UTs and only demand for additional funds, if required, is received.

During the current year 2006-07, no demand for additional funds under SJSRY has been received from the State Government of Andhra Pradesh.

Bill for Urban Unemployed

†2468. SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATIONS pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the report of National Sample Survey Organization wherein the unemployment in cities have been reflected higher than that of villages;

(b) if so, whether any proposal to introduce a Bill for the urban unemployed on the lines of Rural Employment Guarantee Bill is under Government's consideration;

(c) if so, by when such a Bill would be introduced; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefore?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION (KUMARI SELJA): (a) Yes, Sir.

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(b) to (d) As the condition are different in urban areas compared to rural areas, there is no such proposal.

Revised guidelines of SJSRY

2469. SHRI SUDARSHAN AKARAPU: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have recently revised/modified guidelines of SJSRY scheme;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether revised guidelines have been placed before Expenditure Finance Committee (EFC) for approval;

(d) whether the same have been approved by EFC; and

(e) if so, the time-frame by when the guidelines would come into effect?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION (KUMARISELJA): (a) to (e) During the course of the implementation of the Scheme of Swarna Jayanti Shahari Rozgar Yojana (SJSRY), it was observed that there was a need to have a relook on the guidelines of the scheme and certain modifications would be required to enhance the effectiveness of the scheme in tackling the issue of urban poverty. Accordingly, proposals were formulated and as per the prescribed procedure, Expenditure Finance Committee (EFC) appraised the same.

It has now been decided to continue the Scheme of Swarna Jayanti Shahari Rozgar Yojana (SJSRY), in its present form, during the 10th Plan period and for continuing this scheme into the 11th Plan, an evaluation needs to be done.

Serials presenting a distorted image of Indian families

†2470. SHRI BANWARI LAL KANCHHAL: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the fact that serials like 'Saas bhi kabhi bahu thi', 'Gharghar ki kahani', being shown on electronic channels,

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